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On Money loaned for 1 month certain, at the rate of 2%;

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No partial payment made on these receipts. Inter-

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DISCOUNTS AND ADVANCES.—Approved Bills dis-

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Debtors' Receipts issued on Great

Britain and the Colonies, also on New York and San

Francisco, and bills on those places purchased or sent to us.

Creditors' issues on Great Britain, San Francisco and New York, authorizing payment for Goods and Services, and giving power to draw bills, and shipments to be issued and hypothecated to us by the Bankers, and other Securiters received for safe custody, and 1 per cent. Commission charged on withdrawing the same. Interest and Dividends col-lected on other Securiters certain, at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum.

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September 12, 1863.

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For British Columbia & Van-

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The superiority of our accommodations and enter-

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No. 200 and Job Printing of every description usually executed. Terms, cash on delivery or work.

## MINING MONOPOLISTS AND THEIR DEFENDERS.

There is no cause so bad, none so absurd, but it will find its advocates. The whole history of the world is full of examples of this. It was not confined to the days of ignorance and barbarism. Modern days—the very country in which we live have their dreamers, their visionaries, and their schemers. Between knaves and fools, the sensible portion of the human race has ever had enough to do to keep on the even tenor of their way through this sublunary sphere. They are ever occupied in combating false principles, and endeavouring to prevent them being adopted as true. Are the questions, politics, then all the shades of advocacy range themselves under some prominent cries? Radicals, Reformers, Liberals, Moderates, Conservatives, Tories, Fossils, and what not, are convenient names to cover the true and the false. Is it religion, it's pretty much the same, and so on with other matters of human interest. The man of common sense does not trust to names. To him the Conservative and the Radical are alike, so long as the particular principle or circumstance claiming his attention is concerned. He is equally on his guard against vain and impractical theorists who imagine they are the heralds of a new era, and the obstinate sticklers for antiquated ideas merely because they are ancient. These Colonies have suffered from both extremes. We have had those who have moved too fast as well as those who have declined to move at all. The presence of some objectionable enactments on our statute books are the traces left of the one, whilst the want of many useful laws shows what we have suffered from the other. Nor is the reign of such things past. We have it to day as we have had it for the past three years; but we are happy to say we now have also a sound public opinion to restrain the one extreme within reasonable bounds, and incite the other to healthy exertion. The mining laws of the neighboring Colony are at present the topic upon which that public opinion is being brought to bear. A change of these laws is called for. No one denies the urgency of this. But the public whilst admitting the necessity for something being done, perceive at the same time how requisite it is to avoid rushing blindfold into legislation that would according to present appearances, throw the country back for years. With the experience of California and Australia, they are not likely to initiate in British Columbia, an experiment which cannot fail to benefit the monopoly of capital at the expense of the hard-working, independent minor. The people of these Colonies will not be slow to draw aside the mask under which the specious advocates of mining speculations seek to build up a bad cause. The "wretches begotten in the womb-be philanthropical lawgiver's brain," even though he come forward with the pompous pretensions of an "advocate of progress" will not be adopted to serve the purposes of the few to the injury of the many. Whilst all are willing to give the merchant and those who assist the industrious minor with goods and money to develop his claim, any and every reasonable security for the advanced he makes, no man who has had any experience in gold countries, and who at the same time is anxious to see British Columbia prosper, will go to the length of advocating free trade in mining claims. It has been found necessary in various new countries to place a bar on the movements of speculators in public lands and to control the operations of those who were more anxious to fill their own pockets than to see the country settled. These philanthropic individuals are always found to be very loud in their complaints about the "special legislation" which militates against their scheming speculations. The same class is to be found in this country. Land grabbing has been tried here, and not altogether without some degree of success. The pre-emption laws have prevented it somewhat, and now it is sought to operate in Cariboo. Will the miners consent to it? will the miners consent to any man holding an unlimited number of claims? will they be parties to any law which will so change the character of mining property as to allow a parcel of greedy speculators to come in and monopolize the country they have worked so hard to discover and develop? Will honest Hornby consent, now that the country is opened by good roads and packing done away, that smirking Kid-Glove shall become master in the mines and reap the fruit of so much toil? We cannot conceive that he will. Speculators tried to do the same thing in California, but the universal voice of the miners refused it. Again and again the law preventing the holding of more than a limited number of claims was sought to be repealed, but in vain. And did California suffer by it? Let her present proud position answer. And what was the difference save in climate and its accompaniments between the placer diggings of California and those of Cariboo? Solemn wisecracks will tell you with the most dogmatical air imaginable that there is as much difference between them as between the Wullsend Colliery—wherever that is—and a gravel pit. We do not wonder that such individuals being disappointed at not picking off the top of the ground lumps of gold in Donald Fraser's "surface" diggings.

We have seen "placer" diggings in California over one hundred feet deep before gold was found, which is more than has yet been the case in Richfield. Equally deep, if not deeper or diggings of the same character have been carried on in Australia, as any Australian can bear testimony to. It is quite true, that in Australia and California, provisions were generally to be had at reasonable prices. That will no doubt henceforth be the case in Cariboo. In Australia, as well as in California, there was no such thing as making "an estate" of alluvial diggings, at least until they became in a measure worked out. Jumping supernumerary claims took place there as well as in California and Cariboo. Having the experience of those, the two greatest mining countries of the world, before us, we are merely to oblige a few speculators, and to carry out the whims of some doctrinaire advocates of progress, going to abandon principles that have been found to work well elsewhere. They will tell us that the danger of capitalists getting a foothold in Cariboo is imaginary. In a small country such as that district, any one can see how easily it would be to acquire possession of every paying claim. The mere restriction of requiring them to be worked, would be no hindrance, as 'twould only be carrying out the owner's intentions. We are told that there is no danger of the country being over-run by Chinese

laborers, to the exclusion of the whites. The example of California is quoted. The "advocates of progress" are rather unfortunate in their comparisons. Chinaman never superseded white labor in those mines to any great extent, for the simple reason that the miners had the good sense never to submit to the monopoly of capitalists. The latter were kept out of the places mines. Even if this were not so, the tide of white population has always been much greater to California than it will be to these colonies. Here the Chinese mining population is now little less than that of the whites, and were low wages offered would shortly outnumber the latter. British Columbia is not the country where white men will live on Chinaman's wages. So that there is danger of the country being abandoned to Chinaman and capitalists.

The advocates of the speculators put forth in support of free trade in mining claims. The specious pretensions of enabling merchants and persons making advances to miners, to get some security for repayment. A more clumsy attempt to blind the public to the perpetration of a wrong we have seldom witnessed. A good law would serve all the purpose required. The principle required to make it work in harmony with the limited claim law would be to see that the lien in case of forfeiture was discharged by sale instead of foreclosure. A well qualified lawyer would settle a law for the purpose without any difficulty.

The most amusing part played by the monopolist party is their virtuous anxiety for having laws made on "widely recognized legitimate principles" instead of "special legislation," as they call it. Why are they not consistent? It seems to them supremely ridiculous to have a special law set at Cariboo which from difference of circumstances would not be applicable in an older and more thickly populated community. Advocating them as they do that every owner of the mining "real estate" that is to be, shall do eight hours work on his property every day, why don't they insist upon owners of real estate in the lower country being compelled to act in a like manner. Why is not the owner of every town lot bound to do his day's work in it. Why should not every old woman owing a cabbage garden and every M. P. holding suburban fifty acre lots be compelled to fairly work eight hours every lawful day, weather permitting? Under penalty of having the lot seized. What a miserable life we would be under the broadly recognized legitimate principles of legislation introduced by our Victorian Legislature.

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By Express from London,  
A FURTHER SUPPLY OF  
DR. J. COLLIS BROWNE'S  
(The Genuine)

**CHLORODYNE,**

Maw's Fountain Feeding Bottles,  
Improved Breast Pumps;

Elastic Socks,  
" Kneecaps,  
" Abdominal Supporters,

White's Moc-Main Lever Trusses,  
Pepsine de Boudal,  
Benzine Collars,  
Bayley's Ess. Bouquet.

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GOVERNMENT STREET.

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**Wallace & Stewart,**

BEG TO INTIMATE TO THEIR  
Friends and the citizens of Victoria that they  
have removed their

Brass Foundry and Gas Fitting Es-  
tablishment

In their new premises on Yates street, where will be  
a well selected stock of Gas Fittings, suited  
to this market.

Orders in the GAS FITTING and BRASS  
FOUNDING Line promptly attended to.  
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**Wallace & Stewart,**

HAVE RECEIVED

Per Steame: "Sierra Nevada,"

A Large and Well Selected Stock of the  
Newest Styles of

**Coal Oil Lamps,**

CONSISTING OF HANGING, SIDE,  
Table, and Lamp, of Various Patterns,  
Globe, and Chimney, and Various sizes,  
which will sell at prices much lower than similar  
goods have formerly been selling in that market.

Also Diamond Kerosene Oil, which we can confidently  
recommend to the public.

On Trade supplied on Liberal Terms.

WALLACE & STEWART,  
Yates Street, near Government.

HATS! HATS! HATS!

**R. H. ADAMS, &**

HAS JUST RETURNED FROM SAN  
FRANCISCO, with an entire stock of  
HATS. He would particularly call attention to  
the NEW STYLE LADIES' FELT HAT,

The Latest Style in London and Paris—and there is nothing else worn in San Francisco for a  
LADY'S WALKING OR RIDING HAT.

A, a Beautiful Assortment of  
INFANTS' AND CHILDREN'S HATS;

Boys' Hat and Caps, with a full assortment of Gents'  
Silk Hats, Soft Hats and Caps

Latest Styles and Best Quality, Cheap.

ADAMS, HATTER, YATES ST.,  
AGENT FOR  
Grover & Baker's

SEWING MACHINES,

A full assortment of which will be on exhibition in  
a few days.

J. BAGNALL,  
PIANOFORTE MANUFACTURER,

75 FORT STREET, ABOVE BLANCHARD,

HAS FOR SALE

Three Cottage Pianofortes,

BY COLLARD & COLLARD,  
Manufacturers of  
the J. H. W. are warranted, and kept in  
FORT STREET for six months.

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A SITUATION BY A LAW STUDENT

With five years experience. Would be willing to engage in respectable business where steady  
habits are required.

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Agents for Pacific Coast,  
HOSTETTER, SMITH & DEAN,

San Francisco.

HEMBOLD'S

Genuine Preparation.

HIGHLY CONCENTRATED

Compound Fluid Extract

BUCHU!

A Positive and Specific Remedy

FOR DISEASES OF THE

BLADDER, KIDNEYS, GRAVEL,

AND

Dropsical Swellings.

THIS MEDICINE INCREASES THE POWER  
OF ABSORPTION AND EXTRACTS THE ABSORBENTS INTO  
Health action by which the WATER OR CALCIUM  
DEPOSITS, and all UNNATURAL ENLARGEMENTS ARE REDUCED, AS WELL AS PAIN AND INFLAMMATION, and is good for

MEN WOMEN, AND CHILDREN

HEMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU,

FOR WEAKNESS

Arising from Excesses, Habits of Dissipation, Early Indiscretion or Abuses, attended with the following Symptoms:

Disposition to exertion, Loss of Memory, Weak Nerves, Horror of Disease, Dimness of Vision, Universal Laziness of the Muscular System, Impaired Strength, Loss of Appetite, Loss of Power, Difficulty of Breathing, Trembling, Wakefulness, Pain in the Back, Paroxysms of the Heart, Eruptions on the Face, Pallid Countenance

These symptoms, if allowed to go on, which this Medicine invariably removes, are followed by

Impotence, Fatty, Epileptic Fits,

In one of which the patient may expire. Who can say that they are not frequently followed by those "DREADFUL DISEASES."

INSANITY AND CONSUMPTION.

Many are aware of the cause of their suffering, but none will confess.

The Records of the Insane Asylums, and the Melancholy Deaths by Consumption,

Bear ample witness of the truth of the assertion

THE CONSTITUTION ONCE AFFECTED WITH ORGANIC WEAKNESS requires the aid of medicine to strengthen the system, which

HEMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU

Invariably does. A trial will convince the most skeptical.

Females Old or Young, Single, Married, or Contemplating Marriage.

In many afflictions peculiar to Females, the EXTRACT BUCHU is unequalled by any other Remedy, as in Rheumatism, Neuralgia, and other Diseases, Ulcerous or Schistous State of the Uterus, Leucorrhœa, &c. Sterility, &c. All for all conditions incident to the disease, arising from habit of dissipation, or in the decline or change of life, as the symptoms above

NO FAMILY SHOULD BE WITHOUT IT.

Use Hembold's Extract Buchu

For all afflictions and diseases of the URINARY SYSTEM, whether existing in MALE or FEMALE from whatever cause originating, and no matter of how LONG STANDING. Diseases of these organs require the aid of a DIURETIC.

HEMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU

Is the greatest Diuretic, and it is certain to have the effect intended. Evidence of the most responsible and reliable character will accompany the medicines.

CERTIFICATES OF CURES

From eight to twenty years standing, with names known to Science and Fame.

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Saturday Morning, August 22, 1863.

## AUCTION SALE TO-DAY.

J. A. McCREA will sell at 11 a.m. on Little's Wharf, a large quantity of different descriptions of Sugar; also Syrup, Molasses, etc.

P. M. BACKUS will sell at 12 m. on St. Ours' Wharf, 30 head of Sheep, in good condition.

FRESH BEEF AND MUTTON.—The steamer Enterprise arrived yesterday afternoon from the Sound, with 50 head of cattle and 200 sheep, in splendid order, taken on board at Port Townsend. As this importation may lead to a misconception regarding the recent embargo, we may mention, that the stock was brought over under a special permit from the Collector of Customs at Port Angeles, to complete a contract entered into by Messrs. Smith & Sons of Washington Territory, with Messrs. J. D. Clarke & Co. of British Columbia. A representation having been made a short time since to Victor Smith, that Messrs. Clarke & Son were about to bring over a full complement of their contract, and that the restriction if forced in their case would cause them to be severe losers, he intimated that if the parties produced their papers, supported by an opinion from a respectable legal practitioner, he should not oppose the exportation. The Enterprise accordingly proceeded to Port Angeles on Thursday afternoon, and the collector having been satisfied as to the genuineness of the requisition, at once sanctioned the shipment, and gave directions to the officer residing at Port Townsend to grant the necessary clearance. The cattle and sheep, according to our information, have been sold, and the Enterprise probably leaving.

We are accustomed to read and hear so much in condemnation of Collector Smith, that it is quite refreshing to have the opportunity of recording this little act of consideration and friendly courtesy on his part.

A RUNAWAY CAUGHT.—About a fort-night ago a notorious Indian named Joe made his escape from the convict gang and was fired at by one of the guards, but missed, and made good his escape. Since then numerous thefts, chiefly of linen from clothes-lines, has taken place in the suburbs of the city, and the Police have been on the watch for the delinquent. In consequence of an extensive robbery of wearing apparel having been reported from Craigdower, Sergt. Blaske of the Police Department, upon information received in the Indian Camp, and accordingly proceeded yesterday, accompanied by several policemen to the Hydah camp, where they succeeded in recovering a large quantity of stolen property, principally belonging to Mr. Mackenzie and his family. A canoe, containing two men was seen at the same time leaving the camp for the entrance of the harbor, they were hailed and ordered back when the Indian Joe was recognised and immediately arrested. His canoe was found to contain a wholesale supply of stolen articles, which it was in the act of carrying off. The Indians, well known to the Police, in whose possession some of the things were found, were also arrested. They will be brought up before Mr. Pemberton this forenoon.

REMITTED.—The charge against Thomas McCann, of the "Club," for supplying liquors during the hours of divine service, which had resulted in a penalty of \$25 to be being imposed, was remitted before Mr. Pemberton yesterday. The information of officer Spooner was again sworn to, and Mr. McCann, with a view of establishing a case of conspiracy against the informers, elicited from Spooner that the other policeman had himself opened the door. Mr. Pemberton declined to entertain any such charge against the witnesses, stating that although he disapproved of their course of procedure in this instance, still cases might occur where he would sanction it. The fine was remitted.

THEATRICALS.—We alluded a few days ago to the new company engaged by Messrs. Potter and Ward, to perform in our theater during the winter. The *S. E. C. C.* of the 16th adds: "We intimated last week that Mr. Potter was organizing a company here, for Victoria; but, as the theatrical season does not open here for a couple of months, Mr. Ward has availed himself of the material got together to organize a splendid troupe, consisting of the following: 'dramatis personae'; Miss Annette lace and her sister Caroline; Miss Alicia Mandeville, Miss Land, Mrs. Rand, and Messrs. H. Taylor, Phelps, Townsend, Benneux, Ruby, Ned Thorne, Rivers, Hamilton and Potter. Capt. J. D. Cressey will officiate as treasurer. The intention is to proceed to Victoria, after canvassing the interior of the State."

ROMAN CATHOLIC COLLEGIATE INSTITUTION.—We learn that a new brick-building will be commenced this day on Pandora street, to be used for Collegiate purposes; the members of the Order of the Oblates recently arrived in this city. The building will measure 30 feet x 45 feet, and will be two-and-a-half storey's high, provision being made for future extension. The cost is estimated at from \$4,000 to \$5,000. It is expected that the work will be completed in three months, and in the interim a school will be conducted in the premises hitherto used for that purpose, under the patronage of the Right Reverend Dr. Damer, and the direction of the Fathers Oblates.

COMMENDABLE.—As an instance of the despatch used in the discharge of the mail steamer's freight, we may mention that Mr. Brodrick commenced receiving her cargo yesterday morning on board the Alpha, and at 2 p. m. that vessel was at his wharf with 100 tons of goods ready for delivery.

PERFORMANCE.—Mr. C. P. Rice will give an exhibition at the Lycceum Hall this evening, commencing at half-past eight, of Gymnastic, Balancing, Slight-of-hand, Dancing, Slack-rope, Tight-rope and other performances, with music between the parts. Admissions 50 cents.

ARRIVAL.—The ship Victor, Capt. Bunker, arrived yesterday in 22 days from San Francisco, having experienced neither cold and light winds. She brings a cargo of general merchandise and will commence discharging this morning at the H. B. Company's wharf.

SHIPMENT OF TREASURE.—The wharves of San Francisco by our banking institutions during the present month reach the sum of \$314,462,46.

The mail steamer Sierra Nevada left Esquimalt yesterday afternoon at 3 p. m. for San Francisco, calling at Portland.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer Enterprise left last night with passengers and freight for New Westminster.

THE steamship Caledonia left for New Westminster at three o'clock yesterday morning.

We are pleased to learn that the Mayor is progressing most satisfactorily.

**Address to the Prince of Wales.**  
The following acknowledgment of the congratulatory address, forwarded by the City Council to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, on the occasion of his obtaining his majority has just been received by his Worship the Mayor.

MARLBOROUGH HOUSE, June 25, 1863.

Lieutenant-General Knollys has had the honor of laying before the Prince of Wales the address of the Mayor and Council of the City of Victoria, Vancouver Island, on the occasion of his attaining his majority.

His Royal Highness desires to thank them very cordially for their congratulations, and for the sentiments of attachment and loyalty they have expressed towards the Queen.

THOMAS HARRIS, Esq., Mayor.

Cowichan Correspondence.

COWICHAN, Aug. 17th, 1863.

EDINBURGH, BRITISH COLONIST, Sir.—Please inform your readers that the settlers of South Cowichan have commenced to improve the trail from Victoria, and that Mr. Braanan has a crew ready at all hours to convey cattle or horses across the bay; she is capable of carrying ten head at a time, and his charges are very moderate, therefore there are no great hurry for the bridges before the settlers return from Cariboo. The petition of the House of Assembly for permission to erect a bridge to represent us, is waiting for a few more signatures—it will be engaged on the road—but it will be sent by next opportunity. More anon.

Your obedient servant,

S. HARRIS.

COWICHAN BAY,  
South Side, Aug. 17th, '63.

EDINBURGH, BRITISH COLONIST.—Sir.—As the weekly edition of your widely circulated paper is one of the bright spots in our rather monotonous bush life, I was annoyed to find it disengaged last week by a very weak letter on Cowichan, from a would-be practical man. Your correspondent is mistaken in supposing that there are no experienced farmers on the south side of the bay, as any one competent to judge would undoubtedly agree. The Sunter, Moutrie and Johnston joined in the informal chorus. The firing was unexampled in rapidity, and generally in accuracy. Fort Wagner was covered with bursting shells, and enveloped in smoke and dust, but the rebels stood by their guns with the greatest steadiness. Our trenches were gleaming with the first fire, and the rebels, with a shout and a roar, with a whirling solid shot and the roar of shells and shrieks of rifle projectiles, were up to their mark. The rebels never appeared very near the fort, but the smoke and the noise of the insurrection never appeared so insecure as at the present time.

There are now about 30,000 negroes in the National Army, as follows: Gen. Thomas' regiments (of the West) 11,000; under Gen. Banks, 3,000, in Kansas, 1,000; in South Carolina, 3,000; in North Carolina, 3,000; under General Rosserans, 5,000; under General Schofield, 2,000; Massachusetts regiments, 1,200; in the District of Columbia, 8,000. Besides these, some 5,000 negroes are serving in the Navy.

HOLLOWAY OINTMENT AND PILLS.—The treatment pursued by Professor Holloway for the cure of wounds and ulcers is the most simple an certain in the world. It has been known to fail; by the administration of an internal remedy (the Pills), he drives disease out, and by the administration of an external remedy (the Ointment), he cures the disease.

DO. SCOTCH WHISKY.—The Scotch, or "Auld Lang Syne," is the best drink in the world, and is equally popular with all classes.

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